

Subject: Re: >GYPSY HOMELESSNESS<

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Grattan Puxon

I think its essential that we be included in all consultations regarding the homelessness strategy. Its also essential that there be some consideration given to ageing and disabled accommodation since we cant get to use the facilities currently provided. I have land that I would gladly turn into a 10 trailer plot for ageing Gypsies to end their years if they cant still travel..theres a little shop adjacent with a post office for pensions and a doctor also...Perfect for travellers. Barrie

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>GYPSY HOMELESSNESS: NEED FOR<
>INCLUSION IN SALFORD STUDY<

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TO:

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Dear Mrs Penniford,

Our attention has been drawn to the lack of any reference in your Homelessness Strategy to the accommodation needs of homeless Gypsies in the borough.

In the light of the fact Chelmsford BC on 26 January rendered a number of families homeless through the eviction from their land at Meadowlands Caravan Park, and that others are now under threat of similar eviction from Valley View, Old Barn Road, we feel there is an urgent need for Gypsies to be included in your homeless strategy.

We refer to recent correspondence between the Commission for Racial Equality and Council concerning local authority duties to assess the needs of Gypsies and Travellers, and your apparent neglect in this respect. Indeed, your own reports declares that "local ethnic groups may have needs which are not being addressed".

We therefore urge that the accommodation and other needs of Gypsies and Travellers be included in the Essex Research Network's research into the needs of minority ethnic groups in Essex, which we understand has been commissioned by EHOG from Salford University.

Please let us know whether you are in favour of this. And if so whether you will now request that Gypsies and Travellers be included in the Salford University research.